## House Resolution No. 960

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be excellent citizens in their local communities and neighborhoods; and

**Whereas**, Dennis Emge of St. Charles County joined the O'Fallon Fire Protection District in 1973 as a volunteer firefighter who would rise to the rank of Captain in 1975 and assume the important leadership post of Assistant Fire Chief in 1976; and

Whereas, in April 1978 Dennis Emge enjoyed election to the District Board of Directors for the O'Fallon Fire Protection District, an undertaking which has continued for twenty-five years and which has encompassed the transition of the District from a strictly volunteer group to a combination of volunteer and career firefighters who utilize five stations to provide protection to more than sixty thousand residents; and

**Whereas**, Dennis Emge currently enjoys the honor of providing leadership as Chairman of the O'Fallon Fire Protection District Board of Directors; and

Whereas, Dennis Emge experienced a considerable degree of success as a businessman who operated an independent three-location auto repair business in St. Louis in partnership with his brother; and

Whereas, a man for whom family has always come first, Dennis Emge is the beloved husband of Alice, the father of seven children, the grandfather of sixteen, and the great-grandfather of three who has also opened his home to nine foster children and ten exchange students; and

**Whereas**, Dennis Emge is an esteemed member of the St. Paul Knights of Columbus, a board member of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, and an appointed member of The Children and Family Services authority of St. Charles County:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the excellent leadership and service provided by Dennis Emge to the O'Fallon Fire Protection District during the past quarter century and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Dennis A. Emge of St. Charles County.

Offered by

Representative Vicki Schneider District No. 17

Representative Scott T. Rupp District No. 13

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 960, adopted March 19, 2003.